

5850 W. Glendale Ave., Glendale AZ 85301 www.glendaleaz.com



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

CONTACT: Sue Breding, 623-640-7423, Public Information Office

GLENDALE ANNOUNCES NEW BUDGET AND FINANCE DIRECTOR Vicki Rios Selected Due to Experience and Expertise

GLENDALE, Ariz. – Glendale City Manager Kevin Phelps has appointed Vicki Rios to be the new Budget and Finance Director. Rios has served as interim director of the department since May 2015. She will manage the 2016-17 city budget of \$693 million and help keep the city on track with its goal of having a \$50 million unrestricted general fund balance by Fiscal Year 2019-20.

"Vicki has demonstrated that she has the expertise and leadership required to lead this critical department," said Glendale City Manager Kevin Phelps. "She brings exceptional experience that will serve Glendale well."

Vicki's work was described as exemplary and transparent by the Glendale City Council, city staff, citizens and community partners during the recently completed 2016-17 budget approval process which included several comprehensive presentations to the City Council.

"I am grateful for this opportunity to serve my community and I am looking forward to ongoing collaboration with the City Council, Mr. Phelps, and all of our dedicated city employees," said Rios.

Rios joined the city of Glendale in December of 2013 with 20 years of professional budget and finance experience. Most recently, she had been the Deputy Finance Director over the Tax and Licensing Division for the city of Phoenix. Rios has a Bachelor of Science degree from University of California - Irvine as well as a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Accountancy and a Masters of Business Administration from Arizona State University. She is a Certified Public Accountant and a member and past president of the Government Finance Officers' Association of Arizona.

For more information visit www.glendaleaz.com.

###